

PROJECT FACT SHEET CONSTRUCTION GENERAL

PROJECT NAME AND STATE: Nine Mile Run, Allegheny County, PA (Section 206)

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Nine Mile Run drains an area of approximately six square miles and flows through the boroughs of Wilkinsburg, Swissvale and Edgewood, then through the City of Pittsburgh's Frick Park to its mouth on the Monongahela River at mile 7.7. It is one of the only free-flowing streams remaining within the City. The project consists of an aquatic ecosystem restoration project that seeks innovative approaches to restore aquatic habitat and wildlife in Nine Mile Run. Improvements will be made to Nine Mile by three separable actions: (1) Work under Section 206 authority will consist of embayment and wetland creation, bank protection and stream stabilization. (2) Under an order from the PA Department of Environmental Protection the Boroughs of Wilkinsburg, Swissvale and Edgewood will remove leakage into Nine Mile from the sanitary sewer system. (3) Under the same State order, the City of Pittsburgh will eliminate the effects of combined sewage overflows into the stream. Only item (1) will be undertaken pursuant to Section 206 authority.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$7,690,000

Total Federal Cost: \$5,000,000

Total Non-Federal Cost: \$2,690,000

NON-FEDERAL SPONSOR: City of Pittsburgh, PA

CURRENT STATUS: The Nine Mile Run Project was divided into two separate construction contracts. The first contract was completed by the City of Pittsburgh in 2002. The second contract was awarded on 29 September 2003. This contract has been divided into two phases. Phase 1 is upstream of Commercial Avenue. The preconstruction conference was held on 6 November 2003. A project concern for this phase involves the relocation/replacement of terra cotta sewage collection lines within the project limits by local communities. Phase 2 of this contract will be awarded no later than July 2004. The issues of real estate acquisition and permit approval from PADEP must be resolved prior to award. Project completion is anticipated in 2005.

AUTHORIZATION: Section 206, Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1996 (Public Law 104-303) and Section 349, WRDA of 1999 (Public Law 106-53).

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Doyle (PA-14)

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